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HIGH NEEDS CHILDREN ADOPTION AMENDMENTS

HOUSE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

AMENDMENT 2

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Representative Merrill F. Nelson proposes the following amendments:

- 1. Page 5, Lines 136 through 140:
 - Before referring a high needs child for adoption or entering into a contract to provide
 - adoption services to a prospective adoptive parent of a high needs child, the child placing
 - agency shall ensure that the prospective adoptive parent receives:
 - (1) at a minimum, to the extent available, the following information:
 - (a) a social history of the high needs child to be adopted, including:
- 2. Page 6, Lines 170 through 176:
 - (h) the long-term implications for a family that becomes multicultural through
 - 171 adoption; { and }
 - (i) for a prospective adoptive parent who is seeking to adopt two or more unrelated
 - children, the differing needs of children based on their respective ages, backgrounds, length of
 - 174 <u>time outside of family care, and the time management requirements and other challenges that</u>
 - may be presented in a multi-child adoption {-} ; and
 - (j) the prohibition against an unregulated custody transfer of a child.
 - Section 4. Section **62A-4A-711** is enacted to read: